Selected Benchmark Soil Datasets to Test the Validity of Algorithms and Existing Soil Properties in NASIS

Standard Lab Test Dataset, Sorted by Soil Order

Classification CLAYEY-SKELETAL, MAGNESIC, MESIC MOLLIC HAPLOXERALFS	Series Name DUBAKELLA
CLAYEY-SKELETAL, MIXED, ACTIVE, MESIC TYPIC PALEUDALFS	GOSS
COARSE-LOAMY OVER SANDY OR SANDY-SKELETAL, MIXED, SUPERACTIVE, FRIGID HAPLIC GLOSSUDALFS	ANTIGO
INE, ILLITIC, MESIC MOLLIC EPIAQUALFS	HOYTVILLE
INE, MIXED, ACTIVE, THERMIC ABRUPTIC DURIXERALFS	SAN JOAQUIN
INE, SMECTITIC, FRIGID LEPTIC TORRERTIC NATRUSTALFS	ABSHER
INE, SMECTITIC, MESIC AERIC CHROMIC VERTIC EPIAQUALFS	BLUFORD
INE-LOAMY, MIXED, ACTIVE, MESIC OXYAQUIC HAPLUDALFS	MIAMI
INE-SILTY, MIXED, ACTIVE, MESIC TYPIC PALEUDALFS	CRIDER
INE-SILTY, MIXED, ACTIVE, THERMIC ALBIC GLOSSIC NATRAQUALFS	FOLEY
INE-SILTY, MIXED, ACTIVE, THERMIC GLOSSIC FRAGIUDALFS	GRENADA
OAMY, MIXED, SUPERACTIVE, THERMIC ARENIC ARIDIC PALEUSTALFS	BROWNFIELD
SHY OVER SANDY OR SANDY-SKELETAL, MIXED, FRIGID TYPIC VITRIXERANDS	BONNER
SHY-PUMICEOUS, GLASSY XERIC VITRICRYANDS	LAPINE
MEDIAL, AMORPHIC, MESIC AQUIC VITRIXERANDS	TOKUL
INE, SMECTITIC, MESIC USTIC NATRARGIDS	ARVADA
INE-LOAMY, GYPSIC, THERMIC USTIC CALCIGYPSIDS	REEVES
INE-SILTY, MIXED, MESIC TYPIC SALORTHIDS	SALTAIR
OAMY, MIXED, SUPERACTIVE, THERMIC, SHALLOW TYPIC PETROCALCIDS	CAVE
OAMY-SKELETAL, MIXED, MESIC XERIC HAPLOCALCIDS	HIKO PEAK
OAMY-SKELETAL, MIXED, SUPERACTIVE, HYPERTHERMIC TYPIC HAPLOCALCIDS	GUNSIGHT
COARSE-SILTY, MIXED, SUPERACTIVE, SUBGELIC TYPIC AQUORTHELS	TANANA
COARSE-LOAMY, MIXED, SUPERACTIVE, CALCAREOUS, MESIC TYPIC TORRIORTHENTS	MAZUMA
COARSE-SILTY, MIXED, ACTIVE, NONACID, MESIC TYPIC FLUVAQUENTS	LIMERICK
INE, MIXED, SUPERACTIVE, NONACID, THERMIC TYPIC SULFAQUENTS	BOHICKET
MIXED, FRIGID ARGIC UDIPSAMMENTS	ZIMMERMAN
MIXED, MESIC TYPIC USTIPSAMMENTS	VALENTINE
DYSIC SPHAGNIC BOROFIBRISTS	SALAMATOF
DYSIC LITHIC CRYOFOLISTS	MCGILVERY
EUIC, MESIC TYPIC HAPLOSAPRISTS	HOUGHTON
COARSE-LOAMY, MIXED, ACTIVE, MESIC OXYAQUIC DYSTRUDEPTS	PAXTON
COARSE-LOAMY, MIXED, ACTIVE, MESIC TYPIC FRAGIUDEPTS	MARDIN
COARSE-SILTY, MIXED, MESIC TYPIC DYSTROCHREPTS	BRIDGEHAMPTON
COARSE-SILTY, MIXED, SUPERACTIVE, THERMIC TYPIC HAPLUSTEPTS	WOODWARD
OAMY-SKELETAL, SILICEOUS, SUBACTIVE, MESIC TYPIC DYSTROCHREPTS	DEKALB
HIXOTROPIC, ISOHYPERTHERMIC TYPIC HYDRANDEPTS	HILO
FINE, SMECTITIC, MESIC TYPIC ARGIUSTOLLS	HARNEY
INE-LOAMY, MIXED, SUPERACTIVE, FRIGID CALCIC HAPLUDOLLS	BARNES
FINE-LOAMY, MIXED, SUPERACTIVE, MESIC ARIDIC ARGIUSTOLLS	ASCALON
INE-SILTY, MIXED, MESIC TYPIC ARGIUDOLLS	TAMA
OAMY-SKELETAL OVER FRAGMENTAL, MIXED ENTIC HAPLOBOROLLS	BANDERA
FINE, SESQUIC, ISOHYPERTHERMIC ANIONIC ACRUDOX	NIPE
/ERY-FINE, KAOLINITIC, ISOHYPERTHERMIC RHODIC EUTRUSTOX	MOLOKAI
COARSE-LOAMY, ISOTIC, FRIGID OXYAQUIC HAPLORTHODS	MARLOW
OAMY, ISOTIC, FRIGID LITHIC HAPLORTHODS	LYMAN
SANDY, SILICEOUS, THERMIC AERIC ALAQUODS	LEON
SANDY-SKELETAL, MIXED, FRIGID TYPIC HAPLORTHODS	HERMON
COARSE-LOAMY, SILICEOUS, SEMIACTIVE, MESIC TYPIC HAPLUDULTS	DOWNER
	CECIL
INE, KAOLINITIC, THERMIC TYPIC KANHAPLUDULTS INE, KAOLINITIC, THERMIC TYPIC RHODUDULTS	HIWASSEE
INE-LOAMY, KAOLINITIC, THERMIC PLINTHIC KANDIUDULTS	DOTHAN
INE-LOAMY, MIXED, SUPERACTIVE, MESIC AQUIC FRAGIUDULTS	ERNEST
INE-LOAMY, SILICEOUS, SEMIACTIVE, THERMIC HUMIC HAPLUDULTS	HUMPHREYS
INE-LOAMY, SILICEOUS, SEMIACTIVE, THERMIC TYPIC PALEAQUULTS	RAINS
INE-SILTY, MIXED, ACTIVE, MESIC TYPIC ENDOAQUULTS	OTHELLO
OAMY, SILICEOUS, SUBACTIVE, THERMIC ARENIC PALEAQUULTS	PELHAM
INE, SMECTITIC, THERMIC UDIC HAPLUSTERTS	HOUSTON BLACK
/ERY-FINE, SMECTITIC, MESIC TYPIC HAPLUSTERTS	PROMISE

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Issue

Some key soil properties of map unit components, which are used to generate soil interpretations in the National Soil Information System (NASIS), are not yet populated in the database. Many soil property values that exist in NASIS are estimated values that were not validated during the data conversion from the former State Soil Survey Database structure to the current NASIS data structure. In an effort to populate empty data fields and validate existing data, the National Soil Survey Center (NSSC) is developing algorithms from statistical analyses of National Soil Survey Laboratory data.

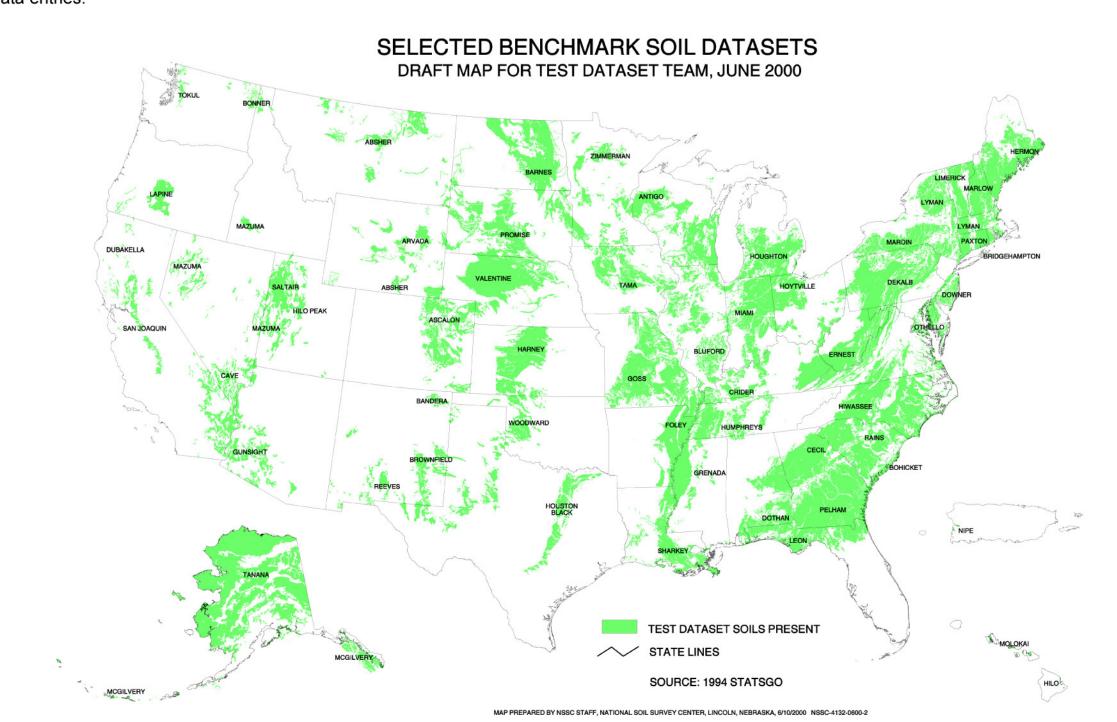
In order to improve the accuracy of our soil survey interpretations, *standard* (control) test datasets could be assembled and used to test the validity of NASIS data entries.

Objective and Uses

Identify criteria and assemble a standard laboratory dataset and a **standard component dataset**. The datasets will be representative of diverse soil taxa, but not so large as to make the validity-testing phase excessively time-consuming.

- The standard laboratory dataset will be compared to the standard component dataset in order to test the validity of: ✓ existing soil property values in NASIS and
- These datasets also will be used for validating soil survey interpretations.

✓ soil property values derived from algorithms.



Criteria Used to **Develop the Dataset** List

- Benchmark series of large
 - √ high data-completeness indexes (DCI) and
 - √ high pedon counts
- At least one benchmark series per state will be selected
- Taxonomic diversity
- Acceptable geographic distribution

Completed Business

- Standard laboratory dataset, 1st approximation (see charts)
 - ✓ Sorted by soil order
 - ✓ Sorted by state

Remaining Business

- NCSS peer review of the standard laboratory dataset
 - ✓ Anticipate adding more series to deal with taxonomic gaps
 - ✓ Anticipate adding series with complete lab data stored at state universities
- Need to assemble the **standard component dataset**, i.e., a map unit identification legend containing components of the selected benchmark series.

Other Potential Applications

Serve as a standard dataset to test models

Please send any questions, comments, and suggestions to: testdataset@nssc.nrcs.usda.gov

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